



1999 Platinum Proof Eagles Available July 23

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Second Vistas of Liberty — Design Honors Southeastern United States Tenth Ounce Mintage Raised to 20,000 Coins Order on the mint website at www.USMINT.gov beginning August 27

Washington, D.C. — The U.S. Mint today announced that 1999 American Eagle Platinum Proof Coins will go on sale July 23, featuring the second of the five-year Vistas of Liberty — reverse designs.

“The Vistas of Liberty — series has made the arrival of Platinum Proof a much anticipated numismatic event,” said Mint Director Philip N. Diehl. “Coins sold out in four options last year — the Half Ounce, the Quarter Ounce, the Tenth Ounce, and the Four Coin Set – and Platinum Proof remains one of the mint’s lowest mintage products, so customers will want to act fast.

John Mercanti’s 1999 reverse design depicts the once-endangered native American Alligator, and our country’s proud symbol, the Bald Eagle, in a blend of incuse and relief techniques celebrating the heritage of our Nation’s southeastern region. The obverse, also by Mercanti, is Lady Liberty, America’s paradigm of freedom and courage.

Platinum Proof American Eagles prices remain at the 1998 level: \$695 for the one-ounce; \$395 for the half-ounce; \$199 for the quarter-ounce, \$99 for the tenth-ounce; and \$1,350 for the Four Coin Set. All American Eagle Platinum Proof Coins are presented in luxurious black velvet packaging, and are accompanied by an official Certificate of Authenticity.

American Eagle Platinum Proof Coins will be available until 12/31/99, or a sellout, whichever comes first. Mintage of these coins is strictly limited; orders received after mintage limits have been reached will not be processed.

American Eagle Platinum Proof Coins may be ordered by calling 1-800-USA-MINT, by mail order postmarked on or after July 23, 1999, and at the Mint’s website at www.USMINT.gov beginning August 27. A shipping and handling charge of \$3.95 will be added to telephone and mail orders. The U.S. Mint may limit quantities sold on a per-person basis. Coins may be delivered in multiple shipments. Please allow approximately 4 weeks for delivery. An official order form is not required to submit an order, and the Mint will accept orders submitted by overnight mail. Mail orders to: The United States Mint, P.O. Box 382620, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-8620.

The authorized maximum mintages for the Platinum Proof Eagles.

Option #	T91	T92	T93	T94	T95
Coin	1 Ounce	½ Ounce	¼ Ounce	1/10 Ounce	4-Coin
Legal Tender Designation	\$100	\$50	\$25	\$10	
'98 Order Option Mintage	5,000	4,000	5,000	10,000	10,000
'99 Order Option Mintage	5,000	4,000	5,000	20,000	10,000
'98 Total Mintage (including sets)	15,000	14,000	15,000	20,000	64,000
'99 Total Mintage (including sets)	15,000	14,000	15,000	30,000	74,000
Weight (Troy Oz.)	1.0005	0.5003	0.2501	0.10005	
Pure Platinum Content	99.95%	99.95%	99.95%	99.95%	
Diameter (mm)	32.70	27.00	22.00	16.50	
Thickness (mm)	2.43	1.80	1.37	1.00	
Mint Mark (West Point)	W	W	W	W	

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